Power-line broadband should be encouraged both as a way to expand the number of citizens who have internet access and to increase competion at the national level.

Despite my proximity to Washington, DC., I still do not have high-speed access. My telephone provider clearly does not believe it is a business priority for them to invest in this technology for residential users. Only if faced with losing this market to another entity with near universal access, are the baby bells likely to take this issue seriously.

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